

# Pecos District Documentation of Land Use Plan Compliance And NEPA Adequacy (DNA) DNA-510-2006-97

#### **Roswell Field Office:**

**Applicant:** Yates Petroleum Corporation

**Lease No.:** NM-28171

**Proposed Action:** APD Resubmittal for the Spear "OA" Federal #5

Location of Proposed Action: Section 15, T. 9 S., R. 26 E., 990' FNL & 1980' FWL,

Unit Letter C, Chaves County, New Mexico, NMPM.

**Description of Proposed Action:** The proposed APD was previously approved and no new changes would occur to the approved plan of development for this well. An access road and well pad would be constructed and the gas well would be drilled.

A. Conformance with the Land Use Plan (LUP) and Consistency with Related Subordinate Implementation Plans:

- 1. Roswell Approved Resource Management Plan and Record of Decision, October 1997.
- 2. The proposed action does not conflict with any known State or local planning, ordinance or zoning.
- C. Identify the applicable NEPA document(s) and other related documents that cover the proposed action.
  - 1. RFO SERIAL EA NO: NM-060-02049 Date Approved: April 24, 2002

#### D. NEPA Adequacy Criteria:

- 1. Is the current proposed action substantially the same action (or is a part of that action) as previously analyzed? Yes.
- 2. Is the range of alternatives analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s) appropriate with respect to the current proposed action, given current environmental concerns, interests, resource values and circumstances? Yes.
- 3. Is the existing analysis adequate and are the conclusions adequate in light of any new information or circumstances? Can you reasonably conclude that all new information and all new circumstances are insignificant with regard to analysis on the proposed action? Yes.

Due to the addition of other supplemental environmental colors, the new painting color for all facilities is Olive Drab18-0622 TPX.

- 4. Do the methodology and analytical approach used in the existing NEPA document(s) continue to be appropriate for the current proposed action? Yes.
- 5. Are the direct and indirect impacts of the current proposed action substantially unchanged for those identified in the existing NEPA document(s)? Does the existing NEPA document sufficiently analyze site-specific impacts related to the current proposed action? Yes.
- 6. Can you conclude without additional analysis or information that the cumulative impacts that would result from the implementation of the current proposed action are substantially unchanged from those analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s)? Yes.
- 7. Are the public involvement and interagency review associated with existing NEPA document(s) adequate for the current proposed action? Yes.
- E. Interdisciplinary Analysis: Identify those team members conducting or participating in the preparation of this worksheet. See attached DNA Checklist.

# F. Mitigation Measure:

The provisions for the approval of the DNA include the Roswell Field Office requirements as defined in the following exhibits; **Exhibit A** - Location Map, **Exhibit B** - Well Drilling Requirements, **Exhibit C** - Conditions of Approval, **Exhibit D** - Permanent Resource Road Requirements, of the approved APD.

#### Conclusion:

Based on the review documented above, I conclude that this proposal conforms to the applicable land use plan and that the existing NEPA documentation fully covers the proposed action. This constitutes BLM's compliance with the requirement of NEPA.

/s/Larry D. Bray	
Larry D. Bray, Assistant Field Manager Lands and Minerals	
4/13/06	
Date	-



Yates Petroleum Corporation shall adhere to the following;

- A. Mitigation Measure: The Conditions of Approval attached to the previously approved APD are obligatory and shall be imperative in the approval of the resubmitted APD.
- B. The following mitigating measure supersedes some of the original Condition of Approval requirements:

## **Exhibit B - WELL DRILLING REQUIREMENTS**

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# II. WELL PAD CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS:

#### D. Reserve Pit Requirements:

- a. Upon reclamation of the reserve pit, the impervious, reinforced, synthetic or fabricated <u>12</u> mil in thickness liner shall be used to encapsulate the reserve pit cuttings.
- b. The dried cuttings in the reserve pit shall be buried a minimum depth of three (3) feet below ground level.
- c. The reserve pit area shall be covered with a three (3) feet minimum cap of clean soil or like material that is capable of supporting native plant growth. Once the reserve pit contents have been capped, the cap shall not be disturbed without NMOCD approval.
- d. Should the cuttings in the reserve pit not meet the three (3) feet below ground level depth, the excess contents shall be removed from the reserve pit until the required minimum depth of three (3) feet below ground level requirement has been met. The excess cuttings shall be removed from the well location and shall be properly disposed of at an authorized disposal site.
- e. Contact Randy Legler at (505) 627-0215, three days before commencing the reserve pit reclamation.

## V. SURFACE RECLAMATION/RESTORATION REQUIREMENTS:

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## **Split Estate:**

E. On private estate land the restoration procedures on the reclamation of the access road and well pad shall be accomplished in accordance with the Private Surface Land Owner concurrence. If the surface land owner does not retain the access road and/or well pad for his ranch operations,

upon abandonment of this well, the surface material (caliche/gravel) shall be removed from the access road and well pad.

# VII. ON LEASE – WELL REQUIREMENTS:

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# **H. Painting Requirement:**

All above-ground structures (e.g.: meter houses, tanks, above ground pipelines, and related appurtenance, etc.) not subject to safety requirements shall be painted by the holder to blend with the natural color of the landscape. The paint used shall be a color which simulates "Supplemental Environmental Colors" intended to provide additional color choices in selecting the most appropriate color(s) for BLM facilities. The color selected for painting all the well facilities is; *Olive Drab*, Supplemental Chart Number <u>18-0622 TPX.</u>